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A MOST EXTRAORDINARY CURE BY THE USE OF MAREDANT's DROPS.

To Mr. NORTON, *ſurgeon, in* Golden *ſquare*, London.

SEPTEMBER 26, 1771.

SIR,

I TAKE this method of returning you my moſt ſincere thanks for the cure of my ſon, which was effected by your moſt excellent drops. Two years and a half ago, he had the ſmallpox; immediately after that, a moſt violent humour ſettled in both his hands, which were ſo bad that he entirely loſt the uſe of them; the bones were ſo much affected that two pieces ſeparated and came away. The humour in his hands was attended with almoſt as violent a one in his face, which formed an entire ſcab over the whole, and ſmelt intolerably: In ſhort, he was in ſo much miſery, and without hopes of recovery (as I had had the opinion of the moſt eminent without effect, who called it the King's Evil) that I deſpaired of his life. In gratitude for ſo extraordinary a cure, I have deſired this to be made public. Any perſon, by calling at my houſe, the *Talbot* inn, in the *Strand*, may be informed of every particular, and ſee the child.

CHARLES ASHLEY.

To Mr. NORTON, *ſurgeon*, Golden *ſquare*, London.

KILKENNY.

SIR,

IF mankind in general were ready to communicate to the public the benefit they receive from remedies by which they have got relief, many perſons labouring under dreadful complaints, might be relieved at a ſmall expence.

My wiſhes for the general good of mankind, as well as my gratitude for the benefits I have received, have induced me to ſend you my caſe, which you would do well to make public.

About 25 years ago I was afflicted with a moſt violent ſcurvy in my arms, which afterwards broke out in my face, in large ulcers and blotches, ſpreading ſo faſt as to affect my eyes, accompanied with a loſt appetite, and pains in my back and breaſt during the ſaid term of twenty five years. I applied to ſeveral eminent phyſicians, and tried various medicines preſcribed by them, to little or no effect, which is well known to moſt of the inhabitants of the city of *Kilkenny*, where I have reſided for upwards of thirty years paſt. At length, on ſeeing Maredant's drops advertiſed by your correſpondent, *Edmund Finn*, printer, in *Kilkenny*, as being a powerful medicine for ſuch diſorders as mine, I was adviſed to try them, and accordingly bought four bottles, which I have taken, and have now the pleaſure to acquaint you that my appetite is quite reſtored, the ſcurf and pimples have gradually left my face, and all parts of my body; and I now, thank God, find myſelf perfectly cured, and my ſkin as clear as ever is was.

THOMAS HEWITT.

We certify the above caſe to be fact, } *Anthony Blunt*, Mayor. *Luke Meagher*.

To Mr. NORTON, *ſurgeon*, GOLDEN *ſquare*, LONDON.

SIR,

AFTER having been afflicted with a moſt violent ſcorbutic humour of 13 years ſtanding, which rendered me incapable of buſineſs, I have the ſatisfaction to inform you, I am now perfectly cured, by the uſe of your *Maredant's* drops. You have my leave to publiſh this, hoping it may be the means of procuring benefit to others afflicted as I was.

I am, Sir,
Your humble ſervant,
GEORGE LANGDON.

Witneſſes to the above cure:
FRANCIS LITEY, No. 3, *Finch* lane, *Cornhill*.
Sarah Rand, trunk maker, No. 57, *St. Paul's* churchyard.

To Mr. NORTON, *ſurgeon, in* GOLDEN *ſquare*.

SIR,

ABOUT two years and a half ago, I was ſeized with a violent hoarſneſs and ſhortneſs of breath. I ſent for a phyſician, who ordered me to be bled: I alſo took a great many medicines, but grew worſe inſtead of better. My head ached ſo violently, that it prevented me getting any reſt; my face and head broke out in large blotches, which ſpread ſo much that I was in daily fear of loſing my eye-ſight. The humour which diſcharged from my face was ſo very offenſive, that I could hardly bear it myſelf; but by the uſe of your *Maredant's* drops, am effectually cured. Any perſon doubting of this, may be convinced of the truth, by calling on Mrs. *Copſon*, at *Brompton*; or by inquiring of Mr. *Orton*, coal merchant, in *Whitecomb* ſtreet, near *Leiceſter Fields*.

I am, with reſpect, Sir,
Your moſt humble ſervant,
MARY COPSON.

The following cure authenticated by *James Cowper*, M. D.

To Mr. NORTON, *ſurgeon*, Golden *ſquare*.

SIR,

I HAVE here incloſed you my certificate of *Roderick Macdonald's* being cured, in all appearance, of that rank ſcorbutic eruption, which for many years paſt has conſtantly reſiſted the power of a variety of medicines (taken by him, to my certain knowledge) until it vaniſhed by the uſe of your Maredant's drops; for which he returns you his moſt grateful thanks; and, from motives of juſtice and humanity, as well as gratitude of your patient, you are at full liberty to make his caſe public, and my certificate of the cure. I am, Sir,

Your moſt obedient, and moſt humble ſervant,

John ſtreet, *Cavendiſh* ſquare, *January* 13, 1775. } JAMES COWPER.

P. S. I have juſt now ſeen and examined the caſe of Mrs. *Mary Lute*, on whom I find you have performed, a moſt miraculous cure of three years ſtanding, of the ſcrophula, commonly known by the name of King's Evil. You muſt be very happy, when reflecting you have it in your power to give relief to ſo many ſuffering mortals, which ſuch extraordinary cures prove you have.

To Mr. NORTON, *ſurgeon*, Golden *ſquare*. London.

SIR,

AS I eſteem myſelf indebted to you (as a means in the hands of God) for health, I deſire you would accept my thanks. It is 30 years ſince I had the meaſles, and have ever ſince had a ſcorbutic diſorder, attended with bad digeſtion, an oppreſſion at my ſtomach, a pain in my bowels, with ſickneſs and fainting; violent eruption, a continual fever; great weakneſs of body, and rheumatick pains: Repeated colds had ſo increaſed my diſorder, that my conſtitution grew too weak to bear any kind of medicine, and I had nearly given up all hopes. Your drops (which I had been deſirous of trying ſome time before) were now my laſt reſource; when I had taken about a bottle and a half, it threw out the humour as big as a half crown on both ſides my neck, and was ſo ſharp, that it flea'd the ſkin off. I immediately perceived the fever and cough to abate, and the humour continued diſcharging itſelf ſeveral months in great quantities. I now could digeſt my food better, and was freed from the pains in my ſtomach and bowels, and my cough, which had been ſettled above a year, was entirely removed. I deferred writing, as I expected my old complaint would have returned with the winter, which has not been the caſe.

You are welcome to make what uſe of this you pleaſe, for the benefit of thoſe who labour under the like complaint.

I am, Sir, your moſt obliged humble ſervant,

School houſe, *Hanover* Street, *Long Acre*, *March* 31, 1775. } ELIZABETH HADEN.

To Mr. NORTON, *ſurgeon*, Golden *ſquare*, London.

SIR,

WHEN in the Weſt Indies in 1774 on board his Majeſty's ſhip Montague, I was ſuddenly ſeized with a moſt violent ſwimming in my head, which rendered me incapable of walking the deck; I tried every means could be thought of in vain, *viz.* a ſeton, ſalivation, &c. till I had recourſe to your moſt valuable *Maredant's* drops, which have perfectly cured me.

You have my leave to make this public for the good of mankind. I am, Sir, your humble ſervant,

AQUILON, DEPTFORD, *Dec.* 9, 1774. } JAMES SOWTON, Boatſwain of his Majeſty's ſhip *Aquilon*, at *Deptford*.

To Mr. NORTON, *ſurgeon*, Golden *ſquare*, London.

SIR,

ABOUT nine years ſince, I was ſeized with a moſt violent pain in my back, which was immediately followed by an univerſal numbneſs, and for three months before I took your drops, was entirely deprived of the uſe of my limbs; I tried ſeveral of the Faculty, and every other means recommended to me in vain, till adviſed to take the drops, by the firſt bottle of which, I was able to move my fingers juſt enough to be perceived; on taking the ſecond, could raiſe my hands a little; by taking a few bottles more became able to feed myſelf; and, to the great ſurpriſe of every one who knew me, could walk with, and a little time after, without crutches. I now enjoy a perfect ſtate of health, and can do my buſineſs as well as ever.

I am, Sir, your obliged humble ſervant,

KINGSTON, OXFORDSHIRE, *January* 24, 1775. } ANNE CROXFORD.

☞ Any perſon ſtill doubting of the efficacy of this medicine, may (by applying to Mr. *Norton*, ſurgeon, the weſt ſide of *Golden* ſquare, near *Piccadilly*, *London*, the only author and proprietor, where theſe drops are ſold in bottles at 6s. each) be fully convinced of their good effects by being referred to many people of credit, who have been cured of the leproſy, ſcurvy, ulcers, the evil, fiſtulas, piles, long continued inflammation of the eyes, and every other diſorder ariſing from a foulneſs in the blood. They may be taken in any ſeaſon, without the leaſt inconveniency or hindrance of buſineſs: They alſo perfect digeſtion, and amazingly create an appetite.

The Printers have alſo for Sale,

Dr. KEYSER's *famous* PILLS.

THAT all Perſons ſuffering under any Degree of the venereal Diſorder may be encouraged to uſe the Means for their Recovery, which have hitherto been ſucceſsful beyond all other Inventions of human Subtlety, ſome Particulars relative to them are now laid before the Public.

The Patient is moſt effectually cured without any Inconvenience to himſelf, or being expoſed to the Shame or Confuſion of his Diſaſter being known to the niceſt Obſerver. When he is condemned to a torturing Salivation, he finds himſelf bleſſed in a Reprieve by ſubſtituting this Medicine, and it has ever been found a certain Cure after the noiſome and excruciating Torments of filthy Salivations have failed.

His Majeſty ordered the moſt rigid and niceſt Examination, by twenty ſeven of the principal Phyſicians and Surgeons, to be made, not only immediately upon the Perſons having been treated with the Medicine, but even for the Space of two Years afterwards, to ſee if the Cures of all the numerous Patients were durable; when, to the eternal Honour of *Dr. Keyſer*, there was not found a ſingle Inſtance of Failure.

This occaſioned the King to eſtabliſh an Hoſpital, where theſe Pills alone are adminiſtered, and from whence ſeven Thouſand Soldiers have been in a ſhort Time diſmiſſed, perfectly reſtored to health. His Majeſty, in Reward for ſuch important Services to Mankind, has ſettled an Annuity of ſeven Hundred and fifty Pounds upon the ingenious Inventor.

The Cures are atteſted by the Duke of *Bedford* and Lord *Ligonier* in *England*, and the Dukes of *Nivernois*, *Choiſeul*, and *Praſlin*, in *France*.

The Gentlemen of the Faculty in *Europe*, after the moſt convincing proofs in Favour of the Medicine, gratefully contributed to eſtabliſh the Reputations of Dr. *Keyſer's* Pills; having pronounced the Uſe of them ſuperior in Efficacy to all the Modes of Practice hitherto diſcovered.

They have perfectly reſtored Perſons afflicted with dropſical Diſorders, the Gravel, Palſey, Apoplexy, White Swellings, Stiff Joints, and the Aſthma; and ſeveral Negroes from the *Weſt Indies* have been cured of that Diſorder, hitherto almoſt inſuperable to Medicine, called the Yaws.

In the Rheumatiſm they have effected aſtoniſhing Cures, even in the moſt obſtinate Stages of it, in many Parts of the Country.

☞ *They are ſold by the Printers of this Paper, who have got a freſh Parcel lately from* PARIS, *in Boxes of* 10s. 20s. *and* 40s. *each.*

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" What ſhall happen to them below."

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WHEREIN ARE ALSO CONTAINED,

A Table of Court Days—a Liſt of the Council and Houſe of Burgeſſes of *Virginia*—Liſt of Pariſhes, and the Miniſters in them—The Governors and Viſiters of *William & Mary* College—Liſt of his Majeſty's Land Forces, and of the Royal Navy, diſtinguiſhing the Regiments that are abroad, and the Ships on the *American* Station—Manner of collecting SALTPETRE, and making of GUNPOWDER, &c. &c.——With a Variety of other Matter, both inſtructive and entertaining.

THE Store at *Leeds*, kept by the Subſcriber for Account of Mr. *Richard Holland*, being to be diſcontinued, the GOODS on Hand, conſiſting of many ſaleable Articles, to the Amount of at leaſt 300l. Sterling, and ſome valuable HORSES, will be ſold on the 10th of *November* next, if fair, otherwiſe next fair Day, to the higheſt Bidders. Twelve Months Credit will be allowed the Purchaſers, on giving Bond and Security.——All Perſons that have had Dealings at the ſaid Store are deſired to come and ſettle their Accounts as ſoon as poſſible. (2) THOMAS JETT.

CAMBRIDGE, *October* 19.

SINCE our last arrived in town, the Hon. Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Lynch, and Benjamin Harrison, Eſquires, from Philadelphia, a committee from the Continental Congreſs; the Honourable Matthew Griſwold, Eſq; Deputy Governor, and ——— Wales, Eſq; of Connecticut; the Hon. Nicholas Cooke, Eſq; Deputy Governor and Commander in Chief of Rhode Iſland, and the Hon. John Wentworth, Eſq; Preſident of the Provincial Congreſs of New Hampſhire. As the time for which the preſent army is raiſed will expire in two or three months, theſe Gentlemen, with the members of the Honourable Council of this colony, are appointed to confer with his Excellency General Waſhington, on the ſubject of forming and eſtabliſhing another continental army, for the defence of the invaded rights of the united colonies.

HARTFORD, *October* 23.

Extract of a letter from an officer at ST. JOHN'S, *October* 1.

ON the 16th of September we left the Iſle aux Noix, in order to lay ſiege to St. John's: We had before ſent a party of 100 men to Chambly, who hearing that ſome regulars were tranſporting proviſions to St. John's, attacked them, took two priſoners, and a conſiderable prize, and then began to fortify about two miles diſtant from St. John's, in order to cut off communications, expecting ſoon a reinforcement from our army, but being diſcovered by the enemy at St. John's, a party of 200 regulars ſallied out with field pieces, and our men being but half their number, and poorly fortified, were obliged to retreat to the woods.

"In this action Capt. John Watſon, in Col. Hinman's regiment, was badly wounded, but is like to recover. We were then on our march through the woods for their relief, but too late! When we came to the place at which the battle was fought, we found the enemy in poſſeſſion of our breaſtwork: They gave us a very heavy fire and then retreated back to the fort. Colonel Allen with a party, hath ſince had a battle near Montreal, and is taken a priſoner, with fourteen more. We have ſhut up St. John's, and expect ſoon to be in poſſeſſion of that place. We are conſtantly playing on them with our cannon and bombs. The Canadians are chiefly on our ſide: The Indians are for us."

NEWPORT, *October* 23.

LAST Monday the Swan Capt. Ayſcough ſailed for Boſton, with two tranſport ſhips, ſeveral wood veſſels, &c. The Swan, it is ſaid, is to proceed from Boſton to England. The above veſſels carried round the live ſtock that was bought of the Brentons, that which was extorted from Briſtol, the rams taken from Dutch Iſland, &c. which it is thought is all the ſupply of that kind the miniſterial forces will ever receive from this quarter, as the ſea coaſts of this colony are now pretty well guarded.

By a letter from a Gentleman at Falmouth, Maſſachuſetts Bay, to his friend in this town, dated October 9, we learn, that 14 ſail of tranſport ſhips were then in Penobſcot Bay, in queſt of wood and other neceſſaries; that Col. Cargill with a body of men had gone in ſearch of them, it was hoped he would prevent their getting any ſupplies: Perhaps it was this fleet returned to Boſton, laſt week, which occaſioned the report of a number of ſhips and troops having arrived there from England.

NEW YORK, *October* 19.

The following are copies of letters which lately paſſed betwixt his Excellency Governor Tryon, and Whitehead Hicks, Eſq; Mayor of this city.

NEW YORK, *October* 13, 1775.

SIR,

FROM undoubted authority from the city of Philadelphia, the Continental Congreſs have *recommended* it to the Provincial Congreſs, to ſeize or take up the officers of this government, and particularly myſelf by name: I am therefore to deſire you will inform the corporation and citizens of this city, that I place my ſecurity here in their protection; that when that confidence is withdrawn, by any ſeizure of my perſon, the commander of his Majeſty's ſhips of war, in the harbour, will demand that the inhabitants deliver me on board the fleet; and, on refuſal, enforce the demand with their whole power: Therefore, anxious to prevent, if poſſible, ſo great a calamity to this city, as well as inconvenience to myſelf, I am ready, ſhould the voice of the citizens be unfavourable to my ſtaying among them, immediately to embark on board the Aſia, requeſting that the citizens will defeat every attempt, that may be made, to hinder my removal with my domeſtics and effects ſhould that be their wiſh; ſince I returned to this province, with every honourable intention to ſerve them, conſiſtant with my bounden duty to my Sovereign.

I am, Sir, your very obedient ſervant,

WILLIAM TRYON.

WHITEHEAD HICKS, Eſq; Mayor of the city of NEW YORK.

SIR, NEW YORK, *October* 14, 1775.

INSTANTLY upon the receipt of your Excellency's commands, ſignified by your letter of yeſterday, I called the magiſtrates and aſſiſtants to a common council, upon its important contents. The members of the corporation unanimouſly expreſſed themſelves upon this occaſion in terms of the ſtrongeſt affection and confidence, reſpecting their Governor; and I am perſuaded, Sir, that their fellow citizens (for I conſulted as many individuals without doors, as the time would permit) are utterly diſinclined to your removal from the capital of your province.

The city committee, which is a very numerous body of reputable inhabitants, elected at a convention of the whole town, before your laſt arrival, were immediately convened, upon my acquainting the Chairman with your Excellency's letter, and in a very little time I had their ſentiments in writing, under the ſignature of their Chairman, which I now communicate, as a confirmation of what it gives me the greateſt pleaſure to declare, that the citizens confiding in your friendſhip to a colony, which you have governed, with ſo much reputation, earneſtly deſire you will ſtill continue your reſidence among us; and from the declarations and temper of the people at large, I have not the leaſt doubt of your enjoying the moſt ample protection. I have the honour to be, with the higheſt eſteem and reſpect,

Your Excellency's moſt obedient ſervant,

WHITEHEAD HICKS.

His Excellency WILLIAM TRYON, Eſq;

SIR, NEW YORK, *October* 14, 1775.

I HAVE received your letter in anſwer to my application to the corporation and citizens of yeſterday, to obtain their aſſurances either of protection while among them, or ſecurity to remove on board the King's ſhip; but as they have not authorized you, to pledge to me their aſſurances of ſecurity in either caſe, my duty in this hour of alarm, will not juſtify me to my Sovereign, in ſtaying longer on ſhore, without poſitive declarations of their full protection under every circumſtance.

I beg you will preſent my beſt thanks to the corporation and citizens, for their affectionate and friendly wiſhes towards me.

I am, Sir, your moſt obedient ſervant,

WILLIAM TRYON.

WHITEHEAD HICKS, Eſq; Mayor of the city of NEW YORK.

SIR, NEW YORK, *October* 18, 1775.

WHEN your Excellency's letter of Saturday came to hand, the day was ſo far ſpent, that I had no proſpect of an opportunity to take the ſenſe of the citizens upon it, till Monday, and then unfortunately the Chairman and deputy Chairman of the committee, I mentioned in my laſt letter, and many of the members were out of town.

On Tueſday morning they met and deliberated upon it, and had a ſecond Convention for that purpoſe in the evening, and the reſult of their Councils appear in the written anſwer they ſent me, and which I now have the honour to tranſmit to your Excellency.

Permit me to add, Sir, that the friendly and reſpectful terms in which people of all ranks, expreſs themſelves, concerning your Excellency, on this occaſion, and their anxiety at the thought of your retiring from the capital, are very ſatisfactory to the corporation, and in particular to your Excellency's

Moſt obedient humble ſervant,

WHITEHEAD HICKS.

To his Excellency WILLIAM TRYON, Eſq;

SIR, COMMITTEE CHAMBER, *October* 17, 1775.

HIS Excellency Governor Tryon's ſecond letter to your worſhip of the 14th inſtant, has been laid before the committee. We flattered ourſelves that the ſentiments of reſpect expreſſed in anſwer to his Excellency's firſt letter to your worſhip, and the aſſurances that his information from Philadelphia was ill grounded, would have removed every ſuſpicion of injury intended to his perſon or property.

We can with great truth aſſure his Excellency, that we are not apprehenſive of the leaſt danger to his perſon or property; and that he may reſt aſſured, of all that protection from us, and our fellow citizens, which will be conſiſtent with the great principle of our ſafety and preſervation: Declaring, at the ſame time, that we have the utmoſt confidence in his Excellency's diſpoſition to ſerve the true intereſt of this colony, and that he will, by his wiſe and prudent mediation, uſe his beſt offices to reſtore that harmony between Great Britain and the colonies ſo ardently wiſhed for by us. The committee therefore cannot but again expreſs their moſt earneſt deſire, that his Excellency would continue his reſidence among a people, who have the moſt grateful ſenſe of his upright and diſintereſted adminiſtration.

We have the pleaſure to acquaint your worſhip, that the above letter was unanimouſly approved of in a full committee,

And are, Sir, your very humble ſervant,

(By order of the Committee) ISAAC LOW, Chairman.

The Worſhipful WHITEHEAD HICKS, Eſq;

SIR, *On board the Halifax packet, Oct.* 19.

FINDING your letter of yeſterday inſufficient for the ſecurity I requeſted from the corporation and citizens, and objectionable for the mode in which you obtained the ſenſe of the inhabitants, my duty directed me for the preſent inſtant to remove on board this ſhip; where I ſhall be ready to do ſuch buſineſs of the country as the ſituation of the times will permit. The citizens, as well as the inhabitants of the province, may be aſſured of my inclination to embrace every means in my power to reſtore the peace, good order, and authority of government. I am, Sir,

Your moſt obedient ſervant,

WILLIAM TRYON.

WHITEHEAD HICKS, Eſq; Mayor of the city of NEW YORK.

October 23. Laſt Friday night, John Bates, arrived here in a ſmall ſchooner, from North Carolina, and acquaints us, that the Wedneſday before he ſaw a ſhip lying aſhore on her beam Ends at Brigantine Inlet, about half a mile to the ſouthward of Little Egg Harbour, with her head on ſhore; that the ſame evening, a boat came out of Cranberry Inlet, with ſome people in her, three of whom appeared like Gentlemen, and ſaid they had been a gunning, but their ammunition being out, they would be glad of a paſſage to New York; Capt. Bates took them on board, but ſoon after the wind came a head, he was obliged to put about and take ſhelter in Cranberry Inlet, where the next morning his company was taken from him by Capt. Loverman and a party of his men from Egg Harbour, who informed Mr. Bates he had taken all the reſt of the crew, and that the ſhip they belonged to was a tranſport, and that he underſtood the Captain's name was Thompſon.

We have ſince heard the ſhip above mentioned was from Boſton, was caſt away yeſterday week, bound here, had 13 women on board, one of which is come to this town; that the crew are ſaved, but the ſhip gone to Pieces.

By Capt. Merſey, in 9 weeks from St. Ubes, we learn, that the Spaniards intend a ſecond expedition againſt Algiers, and have demanded 5000 men from the Portugueſe for that purpoſe, Capt. Merſey informs, that by the ſpringing of a mine at Algiers, the Spaniards loſt 5000 men beſides thoſe killed and wounded in the attack.

On the 12th inſtant arrived here on his return from the provincial camp at Cambridge, and on the 18th departed this life, of a fever, in the twenty eighth year of his age, MICHAEL CRESSOP, Eſq; eldeſt ſon of Col. Thomas Creſſop, of Potowmack, in Virginia: He was Captain of a rifle company now in the continental army before Boſton. He ſerved as a Captain under the command of Lord Dunmore, in the late expedition againſt the Indians, in which he eminently diſtinguiſhed himſelf by his prudence, firmneſs and intrepidity, as a brave officer; and in the preſent conteſt between the parent ſtate and the colonies, gave proofs of his attachment to the rights and liberties of his country. He has left a widow and four children to deplore the loſs of a huſband and a father; and by his death his country is deprived of a worthy and eſteemed citizen.

His remains were interred the day following, in Trinity Churchyard, with military honours, attended by a vaſt concourſe of people.

We are aſſured, that letters are received at Boſton, which afford great reaſon to hope a reconciliation will take place between Great Britain and her colonies. General Gage had ſailed for England.

The following is the ſubſtance of the examination of Elijah Cable, of Fairfield, in Connecticut, taken on Friday laſt before the Provincial Congreſs, viz.

That he left St. John's on Friday the 13th, that there is about 4000 men at that place; General Montgomery is on the ſouth ſide, and the Canadians on the eaſt ſide; the bomb battery is 66 or 67 Rod from the fort, that they had ſet one barrack on fire in the fort, with the great mortar commonly called the Old Sow. On Saturday the 14th, when he was at the Iſle-a-Noix, a very heavy firing began early in the morning, and continued until ten o'clock, when the firing ceaſed; what was the event of this action he could not tell, the wind being fair he ſet ſail. He met General Wooſter near Ticonderoga; our people had taken from the regulars ſome blanket coats, ſtockings and ſhoes, four hogſheads of rum, and ſome wine; that a party of the regulars went out in a Floating battery to drive off our Canadians, about 500 in number, who were at work on the eaſt battery, but were repulſed three days ſucceſſively. Saw ſeveral Indians when he came away: Our people lie on the north ſide, about three quarters of a mile from the fort, and often go up and kill the ſentinels. Proviſions plenty, and the men in good ſpirits; our army had lately received a reinforcement of 600 men from different quarters: General Montgomery has a ſloop, a ſchooner, and two row-gallies, each has a twelve pounder, and eight or nine ſwivels; a boom is acroſs at Iſle-a-Noix. Our people ſhot ſeveral holes through the King's veſſel after ſhe was hauled up. No ſnow when he left St. John's.

Saturday laſt Capt. Quackenboſs arrived here from the camp at St. John's: He confirms the above account, with this addition, that the battery laſt conſtructed would take the parade in the fort at St. John's.

A letter from a Gentleman at Powles Hook, dated laſt Saturday, at 4 o'clock, P. M. to his friend in this city, ſays, "I am juſt arrived here from Ticonderoga, where nothing material has lately tranſpired, but in hourly expectation of the news of St. John's being taken, as very heavy firing was heard on Saturday laſt."

The 6th inſtant ſeveral addreſſes were preſented to General Gage previous to his departure for England.

By a letter dated Head Quarters, Cambridge, October 22, 1775, we can aſſure the public that the report of the burning the town of Falmouth, is without foundation.

PHILADELPHIA, *October* 25.

Extract of a letter from QUEBEC, *September* 18.

THE 17th inſtant, at the requeſt of the Lieutenant Governor, the Britiſh and Canadian inhabitants aſſembled on the parade, the latter were formed into eleven companies, the former into ſix. The Britiſh and Canadian militia for this place, will conſiſt of about 1100 men, many of whom neglect, and others think the duty hard, and the greater part are diſſatisfied with the conduct of Government, as every day convinces them that they are deceived. The ſnow Fell, of Whitbay, is taken into Government ſervice, to be commanded by Capt. Napier, it is ſaid ſhe is to carry 12, 6, and 9 pounders; the ſhip Charlotte, belonging to Mr. Roach, of Rhode Iſland; likewiſe a ſloop and a ſchooner of this place; cannot inform you what force they will carry; they have alſo a ſmall veſſel that is ſent expreſs to Boſton. Our militia mount guard from nine to nine in the morning; as yet they have not received any ammuntion, except four rounds in the evening, which gives reaſon to believe that Government is afraid to truſt them with a larger quantity. The public in general are diſſatisfied with Government, for not letting them know the true ſtate of the province, which may be ſuppoſed much worſe than it is repreſented, from the Governor's ordering his Lady to England; ſhe has taken her paſſage in the ſhip Lydia, Capt. Deane, who is to ſail on Friday next; there are many other Ladies who are preparing to leave the province; likewiſe ſome men, who are conſcious that their conduct does not deſerve civil treatment from the provincials, ſhould they come into the province. It is currently reported here, that Mr. Livingſton and Jerry Dugan, had raiſed 190 Canadians, the former with the title of Lieutenant Colonel, the latter with that of Major, who were near taking Lord Pitt and General Carleton, on the river Chamble. Government reports that on General Carleton's publiſhing a pardon for thoſe that ſhould come in at a certain time, that a greater part of them had abandoned thier officers."

Extract of a letter from MANCHESER, *July* 29.

"General Burgoyne has an uncle that lives near this place, and he received a letter from him laſt Sunday. He writes that the Americans are exceeding obſtinate and their numbers incredible, and that he thinks them invincible.----Says Howe uſed many arguments with General Gage to prevail on him to permit him to go out to fight the provincials, but he gave him ſuch ſubſtantial reaſons againſt it that it dropped. He alſo writes that a great miſtake had been made at the war-office, having ſent the cannon without carriages. This was communicated to me by a perſon who heard the letter read."

Extract of a letter from an officer at the ISLE AUX NOIX, *to his friend in this city, dated October* 8.

"Our troops have been three weeks before St. John's, and have cut off all communication between the regulars there, and thoſe Canadians who are their friends. They have gained ſome advantages in two or three ſkirmiſhes with them. Col. Allen has been taken priſoner from his truſting too much to the fidelity of the Canadians; for he took only 17 men and 70 Canadians with him: The latter deſerted him on the appearance of 250 ſoldiers and others, who attacked him out of Montreal with two field pieces. Allen diſcovered the greateſt perſonal bravery at the head of his ſeventeen Green Mountain Boys. They diſcharged thirty rounds a-piece, and then ſurrendered only for want of ammunition. Mr. M'Pherſon, Aid de Camp to General Schuyler, is gone to Chamblee, with Major Browne, to alleviate the fears of the Canadians, who have deſired a conference with our people."

Extract of a letter from CAMBRIDGE, *October* 19.

"The great hurry and buſineſs of this morning, and the immediate departure of the poſt, almoſt deprives me of the ſatisfaction of communicating the news of the day, which to me is very affecting. We ſent down two floating batteries from Cambridge to fire on the town of Boſton, the night before laſt, being informed they opened their playhouſe that evening for this ſeaſon. They fired ſeven ſhot a-piece, and one of their cannon burſted the eighth ſhot, tore off the ſide of one of the batteries, ſplit her top or covering, ſunk her, and wounded eight men with the Captain, one died that night, the others are in my hoſpital, and will do well, except one. They are burnt very much by the cannon cartidges that took fire on the burſting of the cannon, and are ſhocking objects. We have recovered the battery and brought her up."

We are informed, that after the tranſports, with the four companies of artillery, had fallen down from Woolwich, countermanding orders came to detain them.

Sunday ſe'ennight died of an apoplectic ſtroke, in the fifty fourth year of his age, the Honourable PEYTON RANDOLPH, Eſquire, of Virginia, late Preſident of the CONTINENTAL CONGRESS, and Speaker of the HOUSE of BURGESSES of Virginia; a Gentleman who poſſeſſed the virtues of humanity in an eminent degree, and joining with them the ſcundeſt judgement, was the delight of his friends in private life, and a moſt valuable member of ſociety, having long filled, and with great ability and integrity diſcharged the moſt honourable public truſts.—To the truth of this, his family, his friends, and his country bear mournful teſtimony.

And on Tueſday afternoon his remains were removed from Mr. Benjamin Randolph's, to Chriſt Church, where an excellent ſermon on the mournful occaſion was preached by the Rev. Mr. DUCHE, after which, the corpſe was carried to the burial ground and depoſited in a vault till it can be conveyed to Virginia.

The FUNERAL was conducted in the following order;

The three BATTALIONS, ARTILLERY
COMPANIES and RIFLE-MEN of this CITY.
The CLERGY.
The BODY
WITH
The PALL, ſupported by
SIX MAGISTRATES.
HON. JOHN HANCOCK, Eſq;
The MEMBERS of CONGRESS.
PHYSICIANS.
The MEMBERS of ASSEMBLY.
COMMITTEE of SAFETY.
MAYOR and CORPORATION.
COMMITTEE of CITY and LIBERTIES.
VESTRY of CHRIST and ST. PETER'S CHURCH.
CITIZENS.

Extract of a letter from NEW YORK, *dated October* 25.

"A Gentleman belonging to this city, who is juſt returned from Lake George, ſays, that our northern army has lately taken an eſcort of ſixteen regulars, and a rich Frenchman, with proviſions and clothing deſigned for the enemy. He ſaw them ſet out on their march from Albany to Hartford. He adds, that Captain

——, from New Hampshire, with 600 men, had gone to reinforce our army, and took post upon the side of the river ——; that a party of Canadians, friendly to us, has posted themselves on the opposite side; and a gondola belonging to the enemy, in which there appeared to be about 30 men, came opposite to the Canadians, who fired smartly on them, to avoid which they rowed to the opposite shore, where our men peppered them so well that they were thrown into great confusion, and got into the rapids, which carried them down the stream over a fall, where it is supposed they all perished. Letters in town from Albany advise, that Carleton's men at St. John's were in great want of fuel, and that General Montgomery is determined to storm the fort, if he cannot take it any other way."

WILLIAMSBURG, *November* 11.

SACRED
TO THE MEMORY OF
The Hon. PEYTON RANDOLPH, Esq;
Whose distinguished Virtues, in every Station of Life,
GAINED HIM
The Affection and Confidence of his Country.

DESCENDED from an ancient and respectable Family,
He received a liberal and polite Education
In *William & Mary* College.

Removing from thence to the INNER TEMPLE,
He was advanced to the Degree of Barrister at Law,
And appointed Attorney General of *Virginia*.

IN THIS OFFICE
His Regard to the Peace and Security of Society,
His Humanity and Benovolence
To the Criminal his Duty obliged him to prosecute,
WERE NOT MORE CONSPICUOUS
Than his Learning and Integrity in his Profession.

After an extensive Practice in the General Court,
He resigned his Law Employments;
And, being elected SPEAKER of the House of Burgesses,
Discharged the Duties of that high Office
With such Ease, Dignity, and Impartiality,
That he was frequently called to the Chair by the unanimous
Voice of the Representatives of the People.

When the Measures of the *British* Ministry
Compelled the *American* Colonies to unite their Councils
In GENERAL CONGRESS,
He was chosen FIRST DELEGATE for this Colony
To that illustrious Assembly,
And was by them unanimously elected their
PRESIDENT.

While he was attending a third Time in that Great Council,
A sudden Stroke of the Palsey deprived
America of a firm Patriot,
His Country of a wise and faithful Senator,
His Acquaintance of an invaluable Friend,
His Family of the most affectionate Husband
And kindest Master,
Upon the 22d Day of *October*, 1775,
In the 54th Year of his Age.

The day before yesterday the Kingfisher and some tenders came to Burwell's ferry; she fired several cannon upon her way up, at the people on shore, but without doing any hurt, and it is said shot some balls through the warehouse at the ferry.

Deaths.] On Saturday the 14th ult. in the Flower of her Age, Mrs. FRANCES ANDREWS, Wife of the Rev. Mr. Andrews of Nansemond.

On Wednesday the 18th, Mrs. JUDITH BURGES, Wife of the Rev. Mr. Burges of Isle of Wight.

☞ *On account of the enormous expence and difficulty of procuring paper, the printers find it absolutely necessary, and it will for the future be expected, that all Gentlemen who wish to become subscribers to this gazette will pay half the subscription money upon entering their names.*

WILLIAMSBURG LODGE, *November* 6, 1775.

Ordered, THAT the Members of this Lodge go into Mourning for six Weeks for the late Hon. and worthy Provincial Grand Master PEYTON RANDOLPH, Esquire.

GEORGE REID, Secretary.

To Mess. DIXON & HUNTER.

PETERSBURG, *Oct.* 28, 1775.

GENTLEMEN,

AT so remarkable a period as this, when the fate of kingdoms and provinces is depending, when your paper teems with the most important events, and conveys intelligence of the most alarming and interesting kind,—of the determinations of a powerful nation to enslave,—of the different motions of their fleets and armies to effect that purpose,—of the various exertions of the representatives of the united provinces, firmly resolved to maintain their liberty at the risk of every thing dear and valuable; at so important a crisis, I was surprised to see so large a part of your paper of the 21st taken up with a tedious relation of *private transactions in which the public has no concern.*

That a certain Isaac Hall and Joseph Jones should, on the 24th of June last, have some words and blows, is a very trifling affair, in which the public is no ways interested; and who, I presume, would have been obliged to the *unprejudiced* Mr. Hall, had he followed the advice of his friends, and the impulse of his own tender feelings, and laid *aside the design*, as the *publication* is not of much service to him. Persons in the highest stations of life have frequently opportunities of hearing the uprightness of their conduct called in question; and what pretensions Mr. Hall can have to escape through the world without any calumnies is best known to himself. If he thinks it *foolish to attempt tracing these to their origin*, can he except he is so dear to the public that they will take the drudgery upon them to investigate those facts which he relates, when, in the beginning of his letter, he informs them they have no concern in it.

Whatever opinion Mr. Hall may have of the propriety of his *behaviour*, his *understanding*, *candour*, or *spirit*, the impartial public will entertain their own of the goodness of his heart, who, contrary to the advice of Gentlemen for whose opinions he said he had the highest value, endeavours (by dragging him forth before the public) to do a young Gentleman the greatest injury.

I was present on this said 24th of June, when the particulars mentioned by Mr. Hall caused the greatest confusion, and a general murmuring ensued among the company; dissatisfied, that business so foreign to the design of their meeting should be intruded upon them, which could answer no other purpose but to injure Mr. Jones's interest, and create divisions among themselves.

What effect those reports have had upon the volunteers, and the opinion they entertained of Mr. Jones, is obvious from their conduct: He was only a few votes behind Capt. Francis Eppes (now Major Eppes) and by a very large majority chosen first Lieutenant, in which office he has served to the satisfaction of the company, and as a real friend to his country. Conscious of the integrity of his intentions, he remained unawed at the threats of Mr. Hall, and paid no regard to his letter; and this *silence affords a strong presumption of his guilt!* but others may impute it to some other cause.

I will not omit doing Mr. Hall justice in this particular, that he resolutely struck Mr. Jones, a man considerably smaller than himself. He has now published to the world a true and faithful narration of the actions of that memorable day. This additional circumstance may be of use in future to some historian. When his prowess was so freely exerted against a man with a sword by his side, who called his veracity in question, who can doubt, but when his liberty is at stake, he will shew himself *faithful, just, valiant, and true!*

I doubt not, Gentlemen, but many of your readers would join with me in heartily wishing that the present custom of inserting private disputes in the public papers (especially those that are of such a nature as Mr. Hall's) was laid aside; as our present disputes with Great Britain are so interesting as to engage sufficiently the attention of every one.

The impartiality so frequently displayed in your paper has induced me to request a publication of the above.

I am, Gentlemen,
Your most obedient and humble servant,
A CONSTANT READER.

In COMMITTEE, *Williamsburg, October* 23, 1775.

Ordered, THAT the Commissary of Musters in each district attend the battalion thereof only on the last day of their several meetings to perform battalion duty.

Extract. JOHN PENDLETON, Clk. Com. Safety.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

WILLIAMSBURG, *November* 8, 1775.

THE Attorney General's SLAVES and HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, which were advertised for Sale at the next Meeting of the Merchants, will be sold the 25th Day of this Month, by

JOHN BLAIR, } Surviving
JAMES COCKE, } Trustees.

To be SOLD, *or* LEASED,

A TRACT OF LAND

containing about 800 Acres, lying in the lower End of *Albemarle* County, about 50 Miles from *Richmond* Town. The Land is of good Quality, affords excellent Pasturage, and lies within three Miles of a Landing on *James* River. Long Credit will be given, if sold; or it will be leased at a very moderate Rent, and Time allowed for making Improvements. The Terms may be known by applying to the Printers, or to the Subscriber, in the County of *Richmond*. RAWLEIGH COLSTON.

WOOLLENS.

THE Subscriber has on Hand a Parcel of exceeding good 6-4 CLOTHS, with necessary Trimmings, Prices from 5*s.* to 12*s.* Sterling *per* Yard. He would gladly dispose of the Whole on a reasonable Advance, or in Retail by the single Piece, and give Credit, on Bond, with approved Security, he has also for Sale,

A LARGE QUANTITY OF
BAR IRON, SEINE TWINE, &c.

☞ As I intend for *Britain* early in the Spring, I shall be obliged to those whose Accounts have been long standing to make Payment. JOHN STONEY.

TO BE SOLD,
On WEDNESDAY *the* 22*d Instant* (November) *by the Subscriber*,
THIRTY HEAD OF
CATTLE,
FORTY HEAD OF
SHEEP,
AND TWO LARGE YOUNG
HORSES.

Twelve Months Credit will be allowed, the Purchasers giving Bond, with approved Security, to

WILLIAM EATON.

To be rented, and entered upon immediately,

A PLANTATION about 12 or 14 Miles above *Manchester*, lying on *James* River, sufficient to work four Hands, with ten Bushels of Wheat sown on the Plantation, a good Dwelling-House, Kitchen, Dairy, and Barn, belonging to the Estate, or the Orphan of *David Trabue*, deceased. The Plantation will be let to the highest Bidder on *Friday* the 24th Instant *(November)* by JOHN TRABUE.

CHESTERFIELD. Guardian.

☞ I have several Plantations more to rent of my own Property.

NORTHUMBERLAND, *October* 20, 1775.

RUN away from the Subscriber, a Negro Man named BEN. He is about 25 Years old, middle sized, and very black. When he went away (which is about 3 Months since) he had on such Clothes as Negroes commonly wear in Summer. He has a Scar over one of his Eyes, which was occasioned by a Burn when young; is a pretty good Sawyer, and can do a little at the Carpenter's Work. I will give 5*l.* Reward to any Person who delivers him to me, if taken in this Colony; if in *Maryland* or *Carolina*, 10*l.* I imagine some Person has forged a Pass for him, that he may travel as a Freeman.

JOHN GORDON.

TAKEN up, in *Amelia*, a BAY HORSE near four Feet eight Inches high, about 11 Years old, branded on the near Buttock P, the off fore Foot white, and appears to have been hurt in the same Knee. Posted, and appraised to 10*l.*

AMBROSE HUTCHERSON.

YORK TOWN, *November* 7, 1775.

STOLEN from *Fleet's* Ferry Landing, on *Mattapony* River, last *Friday* Night, a twenty five Hogshead FLAT, with her Sail, Covering, Anchor, Cable, &c. The Frame is of Mulberry, and the Yard quite new. Two Sailors, who came Passengers down the River, from *Todd's* Warehouse, in the Flat, were missing at the same Time, and it is supposed have carried her to *Norfolk*, or up the Bay. Whoever secures the Flat, and will give me Intelligence so that I get her again, shall be handsomely rewarded. DAVID JAMESON.

TAKEN up, in *Buckingham*, a SORREL HORSE about 4 Feet 7 Inches and a Half high, about 16 Years old, with a Bell on, a Blaze Face, branded on the near Buttock three Dots, and several Dots on the near Side of his Rump, paces slow, and appraised to 6*l.* Also a BLACK HORSE about 4 Feet 8 Inches high, very little White in his Face, has several Saddle Spots on his Back, branded on the near Shoulder J R, as near as can be made out, thots only, is about 12 Years old, and appraised to 8*l.*

JOHN COBBS.

TAKEN up, in *Prince George*, a RED STEER with a small white Spot on his Flank, about five or six Years old, marked with a Half Crop and a Slit in the right Ear, a smooth Crop and a Hole in the left Ear. Posted, and appraised to 4*l.*

MARK HARWELL.

WARWICK, *November* 1, 1775.

I INTEND to leave the Colony soon, for a few Months. In my Absence the Business will be conducted by my Brothers, *David* and *George Leitch*. The Debts contracted with Mr. *Lightfoot* and Mr. *Graham*, in *Prince Edward* County, are now in the Possession of *George Leitch* to collect.

JOHN LEITCH.

RICHMOND, *October* 23, 1775.

To be RENTED for one or more Years, and entered upon directly,

THE House and Tenement which Mr. *Patrick Coutts*, Merchant in this Town, presently possesses, belonging to the Estate of Capt. *James Gunn*. It is one of the most beautiful and healthful Situations in *America*.

JAMES BUCHANAN.
Guardian for the Heir.

WHEREAS Lord Dunmore, not contented with having involved the affairs of this colony in extreme confusion, by withdrawing himself unnecessarily from the administration of Government, and exciting an insurrection of our slaves, hath lately, in conjunction with the officers of the navy, proceeded to commence hostilities against his Majesty's peaceable subjects in the town and neighbourhood of Norfolk; captivated many, and seized the property of others, particularly slaves, who are detained from the owners; stopped all intercourse between the inhabitants of that borough and the other parts of the colony, except by such as are inimical to the rights of America; by means of whom provisions are supplied to the troops, and intelligence conveyed to his Lordship of every material transaction, whilst none of his pernicious designs can transpire in the country until they are manifested by the execution of them: The Committee of Safety, in order to counteract, as far as they can, so unjustifiable a partiality, have unanimously resolved, that no person whatsoever shall be allowed to pass to or from the borough of Norfolk, or town of Portsmouth, without a permit from the said Committee, or the committee of the county or corporation wherein such person resides, or from the commanding officer of one of the regiments, or of a detachment therefrom, or from the commanding officer of a company or detachment of minute-men or militia, in actual service at the time of such permit. And all committees, and all officers, civil and military, and all other persons, friends to America, are desired to attend to this resolution.

By order of the Committee of Safety.
JOHN PENDLETON, Jun. Clk.

ALL Persons that have any Demands against the Estate of *James Allen*, deceased, and likewise the Estate of *Anne Allen*, deceased, of *Hanover* County, are desired to lodge their Accounts, properly proved, with Capt. *William Craighead* of said County, or the Subscribers, in *Prince Edward*, by the 25th Instant *(November)* as the Estate will be divided by that Time.

JAMES ALLEN, } Executors.
CHARLES ALLEN, }

FOR SALE,

ABOUT £. 1200 Sterling Worth of well assorted DRY GOODS, on very reasonable Terms, for Cash, or short Credit with approved Security. The Terms may be known by applying to the PRINTERS.

WILLIAMSBURG, *November* 4, 1775.

NORTHAMPTON, *North Carolina, Oct.* 25, 1775.

TO BE SOLD,

On Friday *the* 8*th of* December *next, pursuant to the last Will and Testament of Mr.* CHARLES NODEN, *deceased*,

THREE Hundred and twenty five Acres of exceeding good LAND, mostly rich low Grounds, with a Plantation and all necessary Houses in tenantable Repair, and cleared Land sufficient to work 8 or 10 Hands. The Land lies upon the north Side of *Roanoke* River, within three Miles of *Halifax* Town, in a Place well known by the Name of *Occoneechia Neck*. Twelve Months Credit will be allowed the Purchaser, on giving Bond and good Security; which Bond, if not discharged by the Day the Money becomes due, must carry Interest from the Date. THE EXECUTOR.

To be SOLD, *or* RENTED,

THE HOUSES and LOTS of the late *Elkanah Deane*, deceased, pleasantly situated in *Palace* Street. There is a Well of good Water on the Premises, an exceeding good Garden and Pasture at the Back of the Dwelling-House, all well paled in; and there are several Springs, and a Run of Water through the same. The Houses are in good Repair, and some of them but lately built. ---And on *Tuesday* the 28th of *November* next will be sold, for ready Money, the HOUSEHOLD and KITCHEN FURNITURE, a large Quantity of COACHMAKERS, JOINERS, and BLACKSMITHS TOOLS, belonging to the said Deceased. ----There are on Hand, and will be sold remarkably cheap for Cash, an elegant PHÆTON, and DOUBLE and SINGLE CHAIRS of several Sorts, finished in the best Manner.

ELIZABETH DEANE, Administratrix.

N. B. All Persons indebted to the said Estate are requested to make immediate Payment, and Bonds will be expected from all who do not settle their Accounts at the meeting of the Merchants; those who have any Demands against the said Estate are desired to bring them in, properly proved.

WILLIAMSBURG, *October* 26, 1775.

POETS CORNER.

The modern VENI, VIDI, VICI. *(From a London paper.)*

WE came, we saw, but could not beat,
And so—we sounded a retreat:
On Roxbury-Hill again we saw 'em,
And did, like devils, clapper-claw 'em;
But warlike casuists can't discuss
If we beat them, or they beat us:
We swear we beat—they swear we lie—
We'll tell you more on't by and by.

TO BE SOLD,

At public Auction, pursuant to the last Will and Testament of Mr. JOHN TODD BICKERTON, *deceased, at* HANOVER *Court-house, on the first* Thursday *in* December *next, being Court Day,*

ONE Tract of LAND lying on the *Bird* Creek, in *Albemarle* County, containing 700 Acres, with a Plantation cleared sufficient to work 7 or 8 Hands, and convenient Buildings for a Family. Also one other Tract lying on *Hickory* Creek, in *Louisa* County, containing 1425 Acres, without any Improvements. These Lands are subject to the Dower of Mrs. *Martha Bickerton*. Twelve Months Credit will be allowed, the Purchasers giving Bond, with approved Security, to

5 THE EXECUTORS.

RUN away from the Subscriber, in *Botetourt* County, on the 13th of *October* last, a Convict Servant Man named JOHN MURPHEY, about 5 Feet 3 Inches high, with a large bushy Head of dark coloured Hair, is an *Englishman*, speaks plain, and writes well; he was dressed, when he went away, in a white *Russia* Drill Coat and Waistcoat, with Leather Breeches, but will probably change his Clothes (as he took with him a Variety of others) and attempt to pass for a Freeman. He carried away 9 *Holland* Shirts, two of them ruffled, and marked IM, with broad Hems on the Ruffles; two others plain, marked AC, with the Numbers below the Marks; the other five ruffled only at the Bosom, with narrow Hems on the Ruffles; three Pair of Stockings, one of gray Worsted, one of white Thread, and the other of brown Thread; a white Cotton Waistcoat, corded; a Country made blue striped Handkerchief; white Jeans Waistcoat and Breeches; an old great Coat, with one Corner torn off, and the Button-Holes in the Pocket Flaps made downwards; a Fantail Hat, with yellow Lining, and marked in the Crown R. May. 75.; a Pair of small Silver Buckles, almost square, stamped T A; also a Silver Watch, with a Double Case, on the inner of which is engraved *Stephen May, London*, and the same on the Edge of the Plate, under the Case. He had a Number of other Articles too tedious here to mention, and rode away upon a likely BAY HORSE about 4 Feet 9 Inches high, 4 Years old, with a Film over one of his Eyes, and a small black Spot on the near Side of his Neck, paces and gallops well. He also took an old Portmanteau Saddle and Saddle Bags. I will give 10 l. Reward to any Person who takes up and secures the Thief and stolen Goods, so that I get them again; or 5 l. for the Thief alone, and will pay any Person, over and above what the Law allows, for bringing him to me in the aforesaid County.

JOHN MAY.

RUN away from *Hampton*, on *Sunday* last, a lusty Mulatto Fellow named ARGYLE, well known about the Country, has a Scar on one of his Wrists, and has lost one or more of his fore Teeth; he is a very handy Fellow by Water, or about the House, &c. loves Drink, and is very bold in his Cups, but dastardly when sober. Whether he will go for a Man of War's Man, or not, I cannot say; but I will give 40 s. to have him brought to me. He can read and write.

NOVEMBER 2, 1775. JACOB WRAY.

STRAYED, or STOLEN, from the Subscriber, the 19th of *September* last a bright bay HORSE about 6 Years old, 14 Hands and a Half high, shod before, branded on the near Buttock WA in a Piece, and has several remarkable Places about him, *viz.* a white Place under his Belly, which came by hard Riding, and has had the Hooks cut out of his Eyes. Whoever brings the said Horse to me, at Mr, *Francis Thornton*'s Plantation, near *Fredericksburg*, shall have 30 s. Reward, and 50 s. for apprehending the Thief.

2f WILLIAM GREENLEES.

TAKEN up, in *Halifax*, a DUN BAY MARE about 7 or 8 Years old, 4 Feet 6 Inches high, branded on the near Buttock with a Hook, has a small Star in her Forehead, and a few white Hairs round one of her fore Legs. Posted, and appraised to 8 l. (1) GEORGE MOORE.

TAKEN up, in *Hanover*, a FROSTY BAY HORSE about 8 Years old, 4 Feet 7 or 8 Inches high, with a Blaze Face, his hind Legs white, and branded on the near Buttock L. Posted, and appraised to 20 l.

AUGUSTINE WOOLFOLK.

TAKEN up, in *Amherst*, a BLACK MARE, with some white Hairs intermixed, about 10 or 11 Years old, 4 Feet 4 or 5 Inches high, trots and paces, her Back is much scarified, has some small Saddle Spots, and branded on the near Shoulder and off Buttock, as near as can be described, thus ○. Posted, and appraised to 7 l. (1) HENRY BELL.

TAKEN up, in *Prince Edward*, two BLACK STEERS, 3 Years old last Spring, marked with a Crop, Slit, and Underkeel in the right Ear, and a Crop, two Slits, and an Underkeel in the left; they have both white Faces, and white under their Bellies, some White near their Withers, and on the Ends of their Tails. Posted, and appraised to 3 l. 10 s.

BENJAMIN HASKINS.

TAKEN up, in *Prince Edward*, a RED BRINDLE STEER, 3 Years old last Spring, marked with a Crop and Underkeel in the left Ear, and an Underkeel and Hole in the right, the Hole supposed to be torn out. Posted, and appraised to 3 l.

JOHN SMITH.

TAKEN up, in *Amelia*, a BLACK HORSE, 14 Hands high, about 9 Years old, with a Star in his Forehead, has been worked, and is branded on each Buttock F. Posted, and appraised to 10 l. (1) JOHN CHILDERS.

TAKEN up, in *King George*, a DARK BAY MARE, 13¾ Hands high, and branded on the near Buttock I G, has two small Stars in her Forehead. Posted, and appraised to 6 l. 10 s.

WILLIAM BURGESS.

TAKEN up, in *Albemarle*, a BAY HORSE about 4 Feet 6 or 7 Inches high, about 7 Years old, with a Switch Tail and hanging Mane, has some white Hairs in his Forehead, trots altogether, and branded on the near Buttock ●. Posted, and appraised to 10 l. GEORGE DUNCAN.

TAKEN up, in *Albemarle*, a BRIGHT BAY HORSE about 4 Feet 6 Inches high, 8 or 9 Years old, dark about the Legs, Mane, &c. he has a hanging Mane and Switch Tail, no Brand perceivable, shod before, and paces well and fast. Posted, and appraised to 15 l. ROBERT WRIGHT.

FALLS of JAMES River, *October* 25, 1775.

AT the earnest Solicitation of many Gentlemen on *Potowmack*, and influenced by my own Interest on that River, I have been endeavouring to open its Navigation from Tidewater upwards, and have been at considerable Expence in Preparation, &c. to forward that useful Work; but the Necessity of a *Maryland* Act of Assembly co-operating with one passed in *Virginia*, and which I have not yet been able to obtain, has obliged me to decline it for the present. This Disappointment would be more affecting, if it did not afford me an Opportunity of employing my Time and Attention in opening and extending the Navigation of *James* River, which, though a Work less interesting to me, is of equal Utility to the Public. But, to make my Interest in some Measure correspond with the Public's, I have paid 560 l. Sterling to Mr. *Patrick Coutts* for the Lands situated on the River, where the Water must be taken out into the Canal, and where I have began and done some Part of the Canal, with other Improvements, very expensive.

I therefore inform the Public, that, having a Fee Simple therein, I am going on with the Canal at my own Expence, and will further risk my whole Fortune and Time on the Success of my Undertaking, and desire no Aid or Assistance until I make the Navigation safe and easy to *Shocker* Warehouse; expecting, nevertheless, the more large and generous Contributions from all who benefit when the Work is done. JOHN BALLENDINE.

☞ I want to hire a Hundred Slaves for the above Purpose, and should be glad to treat with any Person or Persons inclinable; at the same Time could assist with the best Part of their Winter Clothing, if not otherwise provided.

WE the Subscribers, having settled the Accounts which have been produced to us for the Pay and Provisions of the Volunteer Companies, give Notice that the Commissioners purpose to meet again at *Williamsburg*, on *Monday* the 20th of next Month. All Persons having Claims for that Service unsettled are desired to attend that Day.

OCTOBER 25, 1775.

WILLIAM LANGHORNE.
HENRY KING.
WILLIAM NORVELL.
CHAMPION TRAVIS.

ON the 4th Day of *November* next, at the late Dwelling-House of *Robert Harrison*, deceased, late of *Charles City* County, will be sold to the highest Bidders, all the personal Estate of the said *Robert*, consisting of Stocks of Cattle, Horses, Sheep, and Hogs, Household and Kitchen Furniture. Six Months Credit will be allowed, on Bond and approved Security being given; the Bonds to carry Interest from their Dates if not punctually discharged. NATHANIEL HARRISON,
Administrator of *Henry Harrison*, deceased.

STRAYED from *Fredericksburg*, on *Saturday* the 14th Instant *(October)* a GRAY HORSE turned of 4 Years old, about 14¼ Hands high, branded on the Buttock WP in a Piece, and has a small Piece of Skin rubbed off his Back by the Saddle. Whoever takes up the said Horse, and delivers him to Col. *Fielding Lewis* in *Fredericksburg*, or to the Subscriber in *Spotsylvania*, will be entitled to a Reward of 20 s. paid by

JOHN LEWIS.

YORK Town, *October* 26, 1775.

I intend to leave the Colony for a few Months. WILLIAM DAVIS.

A COMPANY of Gentlemen of *North Carolina* having, for a large and valuable Consideration, purchased from the Chiefs of the *Cherokee Indians*, by and with the Consent of the whole Nation, a considerable Tract of their Lands, now called *Transylvania*, lying on the Rivers *Ohio*, *Cumberland*, and *Louisa*; and understanding that many People are desirous of becoming Adventurers in that Part of the World, and wish to know the Terms on which Lands in that Country may be had, they therefore hereby inform the Public, that any Person who will settle on and inhabit the same before the first Day of *June* 1776, shall have the Privilege of taking up and surveying for himself 500 Acres, and for each tithable Person he may carry with him and settle there 250 Acres, on the Payment of 50 s. Sterling *per* Hundred, subject to an yearly Quitrent of 2 s. like Money, to commence in the Year 1780. Such Persons as are willing to become Purchasers may correspond and treat with Mr. *William Johnston* in *Hillsborough*, and Col. *John Williams* of *Granville*, *North Carolina*, or Col. *Richard Henderson* at *Boonsborough*, in *Transylvania*.——This Country lies on the south Side of the Rivers *Ohio* and *Louisa*, in a temperate and healthy Climate. It is in general well watered with Springs and Rivulets, and has several Rivers, up which Vessels of considerable Burthen may come with Ease. In different Places of it are a Number of Salt Springs' where the making of Salt has been tried with great Success, and where, with Certainty, any Quantity needed may be easily and conveniently made. Large Tracts of the Land lie on Lime-stone, and in several Places there is Abundance of Iron Ore. The Fertility of the Soil, and Goodness of the Range, almost surpass Belief; and it is at present well stored with Buffalo, Elk, Deer, Bear, Beaver, &c. and the Rivers abound with Fish of various Kinds. Vast Crowds of people are daily flocking to it, and many Gentlemen of the first Rank and Character have bargained for Lands in it; so that there is a great Appearance of a rapid Settlement, and that it will soon become a considerable Colony, and one of the most agreeable Countries in *America*. (6)

TO BE SOLD,

At the next Meeting of the Merchants, in WILLIAMSBURG, *by Virtue of a Deed of Trust made to the Subscribers,*

THE Estate of *John Randolph*, Esq; his Majesty's Attorney General, consisting of his late DWELLING-HOUSE within the said City, and of the LAND adjoining, of several very valuable FAMILY SERVANTS, and a Variety of FURNITURE. A Year's Credit will be allowed the Purchasers, they giving Bond, with good Security, to

PEYTON RANDOLPH,
tf JOHN BLAIR,
JAMES COCKE.

ESSEX County, *Sept.* 10, 1775.

RUN away from the Subscriber, about the Middle of *July* last, a *Virginia* born Negro Lad named NED, who is about 18 Years of age, and about 5 Feet high; one of his Hands has a large Scar, occasioned by its being burnt when he was a Child, by which Means some of his Fingers grow together. He has a flat Face and long Head, which is remarkably sharp on the Top. His Clothes were such as are common for Negroes, and he was seen going down the Country. Whoever will secure the said Negro, so that I get him again, shall have a Reward of 40 s. besides what the law allows.

tf JAMES EDMONDSON.

RUN away from the Subscriber, in *Williamsburg*, the 16th Instant *(July)* two Servant Men, *viz.* JOHN STAUNTON, an *Englishman*, very talkative, by Trade a Wheelwright, pitted with the Smallpox, about 5 Feet 7 or 8 Inches high, with short dark Hair; had on, when he went away, a brown Cloth Coat and Jacket, and striped and Check Trousers —ANDREW M'GILL, a *Scotchman*, by Trade a Blacksmith, about 5 Feet 7 Inches high, wears short dark Hair, of a swarthy Complexion; had on a dark blue Cloth Coat and Jacket, Leather Breeches, and striped and Check Trousers.—I imagine they will endeavour to pass for Sailors, as from the ships of war. I have heard that they were seen going towards *North Carolina*, and will give 5 l. for each if secured in any Gaol

tf JOHN SHIPHARD.

CHESTERFIELD, *October* 15, 1775.

A CERTAIN *John Green*, by Trade a House Carpenter and Joiner, was entrusted with two BLACK HORSES, one of them mine, the other Major *Peterfield Trent*'s, to bring them from Mr. *William Hardyman*'s in *Charles City*, up here, last *Saturday* the 7th Instant. One of the Horses is a pretty large Black, with a hanging Mane and Switch Tail, I believe not branded, about 7 Years old, paces remarkably well and easy; had on him a hunting Saddle with a blue Cloth, bound round with white Cloth, in Imitation of Lace. The other, belonging to Major *Trent*, was a low well set black Horse, with a hanging Mane and Switch Tail, his Brand (if any) I do not know, trots and gallops, and when out of Hand very hard to catch; he had on a Saddle with a Leather Slip or Cover over it, made to fit close to the Seat, and appeared as if the only Cover of the Saddle. I believe the Saddle itself had a Buckskin Seat, but am not positive. The said *John Green* is a middle sized Man, with his own Hair, and wears a light blue Cloth Coat, stutters so very remarkably, that none who once hears him attempt to speak but must immediately take Notice of him, as it is with the greatest Difficulty and apparent Pain that he can utter a single Word. I am told this *John Green* married a Woman in *Williamsburg* about 8 or 10 Months ago, of the Name of *Hildrop*, and may be gone first that Way. I hope every One will contribute to have such a Villain apprehended, and will give all the Intelligence and Assistance in their Power for that Purpose. It is requested he may be secured in some Gaol, to answer for his Villainy. Whoever brings the Horses to me shall have a Reward of 40 s. for each, and 5 l. on Conviction of the Thief.

WILLIAM BLACK.

YORK Town, *September* 19, 1775.

RUN away from Col. *Philip Rootes*, of *King* and *Queen*, a Negro Man named HARRY, who was some Years ago mortgaged to the Hon. *William Nelson*. It is with good Reason suspected that he is lurking about *West Point*, and that he is harboured by some of Col. *Thomas Moore*'s Negroes. Whoever secures and delivers the said Negro, either to Col. *Rootes* or to one of us, shall receive 40 s. Reward.

tf THE EXECUTORS.

DINWIDDIE, *September* 1, 1775.

FOR SALE, on very reasonable Terms, several Tracts of valuable PATENTED LAND, some of which have Plantations with considerable Improvements thereon; also several Surveys and Entries of LAND, all lying in the Counties of *Halifax*, *Charlotte*, and *Bedford*. Any Person inclinable to purchase may see the Land, and know the Terms, by applying to Mr. *Joseph Medley* in *Halifax*, or to Mr. *Thomas Paulett* or *William Harvey*, Junior, of *Charlotte*. Good Titles will be made the Puchasers by Mr. *Alexander Shaw* of this County, who is properly authorised to act for me during my Absence from this Colony, for a few Months.

(tf) NATHANIEL MANSON.

ALEXANDRIA, *June* 5, 1775.

EIGHT POUNDS REWARD.

RUN away from the Subscriber, two indented Servants named ROBERT SHAW and ANDREW INGLES, both Natives of *Scotland*, and Bakers by Trade. Each of them had on a Bearskin Jacket lined with Plaid, Osnabrug Trousers, old Shoes, and Half worn Castor Hats. Their Bundles consist, as it is supposed, of two Match Coat Blankets, two Pair of Leather Breeches, two Osnabrug Shirts, two Check Shirts, and two red Jackets. *Shaw* is about 5 Feet 10 Inches high, has a swarthy Complexion, dark short frizled Hair, a long Scar on his right Arm, appears bold, and talks much. *Ingles* is about 5 Feet 5 Inches high, has short straight Hair, swarthy and long featured, has a Scab over his right Eye, his right Leg is sore, he is fond of Liquor, and talks more in his Country Dialect than *Shaw*.——THOMAS WALSOM, a Convict, about 27 Years of Age, a Barber by Trade, about 5 Feet 6 Inches high, has a Laddish down Look, brown straight Hair, a little knock-kneed, and a leering Look; had on, and took with him, two white Linen Shirts, an old Drab coloured Cloth Coat, one red and one striped Holland Jacket, one Pair of new Drilling Breeches, one Pair of old Buff coloured Stocking Breeches, one Pair of white and one Pair of white and blue spotted Stockings, a new Felt Hat bound with black Ferreting, has a black Silk Handkerchief, and some other Things which cannot be described.——WILLIAM LEE, by Trade a Cooper, about 5 Feet 9 Inches high, marked with the Smallpox, has a remarkable large Nose, speaks thick, and is impudent; he took with him a yellow Bull-Dog, with cropped Ears, one Side of his Face white, has a Glass Eye, and white Breast and Neck, is very fond of going into the Water, and answers to the Name of *Turk*. The said *Lee* had a Variety of Clothes, which cannot well be described. Whoever takes up, and secures the said Servants, shall have the above Reward, or 40 s. for each, paid by

JAMES KIRK.
(tf—13 s.) ROBERT ADAM.
GEORGE PURVIS.

TO BE SOLD,

THREE Thousand Acres of well timbered LAND, near *Newmarket*, in *Caroline* County, whereon are two Plantations in good Repair, with proper and convenient Edifices for farming or making of Tobacco. For Terms apply to the Subscriber.

(tf) JOHN BAYLOR.

TO BE SOLD,

A TRACT of LAND in *Caroline* County, contiguous to *Mattapony*, containing about 2000 Acres of well timbered Land, the Property of Mr. *Robert Baylor*. The Terms may be known by applying to Mr. *Nathaniel Burwell* of *King William*, Mr. *John Armistead* of *Caroline*, and Mr. *John Baylor*, Executors. (tf)

For SALE, *and very* CHEAP,

THE Tract of LAND whereon I now live, in the lower End of *Caroline* County, that contains 470 Acres, and is known to be very good. The Improvements are, a new Dwelling-House 32 by 28 Feet, with three Dormants on a Side, two Fireplaces below, and one above, a good Cellar, the Kitchen 24 by 16 Feet, with all other Outhouses quite new, and the Plantation in fine Order for Cropping. Its Situation is equal to any Forest Place whatever. I will give Credit till next *Christmas*, when Possession may be had. (tf) LE ROY HIPKINS.